

Burrillville Recreation Commission

RE: Minutes, May 8, 2006

Present: Cheri Hall, Director Dave Marcotte

Kurt Schatz, Chair

Juliette Lopez

Alice Lavigne Vice Chair

Alan Gerew

Guest: -----

Absent: -----

Excused: Al Low and Al Musso

Meeting called to order at 6:38 p.m. by Kurt Schatz, Chairperson, at the Burrillville Town Hall.

Minutes of April 10, 2006 Regular Meeting were accepted. Motion to accept made by Dave Marcotte. Seconded by Alice Lavigne. Motion passed 4-0.

Good and Welfare:

Kurt Schatz expressed his and his wife's appreciation for a very nice flower arrangement received. He also reported his wife is doing well.

Correspondence:

None

Old Business:

League Budgets

The Director received the recommendation from the Town Manager for budget funding for the Town Council today and, after quick review, seems to show level funding for the league budget requests.

Easter Egg Hunt

There was a fantastic turnout even though it was held on the rain date.

Family Fair

The Family Fair is scheduled for this Saturday, May 13, 2006. Rain has been forecast. A determination will be made by Wednesday, May 10, 2006 to make arrangements to switch the janitor staffing from the A.T. Levy School location to the Burrillville Middle School location. If the rain location of the Burrillville Middle School is utilized, there will be no larger parade. The Teddy Bear parade will still take place

indoors.

Relay for Life

The next Relay for Life meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 2006.

Fireworks

The planning of the Fireworks display at Branch River Park for July 3, 2006 is moving along. One more is being sought to allow for the awarding of fireworks to Telstar. Telstar already does the fireworks in Glocester, Smithfield, and the Burrillville Arts Festival. The electric service will be checked to allow for a band to play at the event.

Blackstone Canoe Trail

The Burrillville High School student who made the design is awaiting the canoe to allow for the application of the design onto the canoe.

Blackstone “Keep America Beautiful”

Forty people came out to Burrillville for the earth day event. Blackstone Valley supplied the banner for the event. Reusable disposable ash trays have been ordered for the Spring Lake Beach Facility on a trial basis. There is no smoking allowed in the buildings

and eating areas at the beach with signs being displayed.

92 North Main Street

The Town Council approved the Parks and Recreation Department offices being moved from the Burrillville Community Recreation Center (Beckwith-Bruckshaw Lodge) to the 92 North Main Street, Pascoag location, which previous housed the School Department Special Education offices. The Recreation Commission members were invited after the Recreation Commission meeting to take a walk through the building with volunteers being sought to help in readying the building. The amount of \$10,000 has been budgeted, of which \$2,500 being spent for replacement windows.

Bill Andrews stated the boiler should be converted to a forced hot water system to replace the old radiators. The town is also trying to convert all the oil tanks to a 500 gallon capacity to allow for more stockpiling at lower prices. The director recommended that after the fireworks expense, the department should have a remaining balance of approximately \$1,200 with an additional \$2,500 to \$3,000 to be raised at the upcoming Duck Race and Road Race. The Manager was questioned if these funds could be borrowed from the Spring Lake Beach account and then reimbursed from the fundraising monies. David Marcotte stated the radiators could be removed now and the remaining replacement of the heating system completed in the fall when the fundraising monies can be utilized. Michael Jones of

Michael's Plumbing will supply a second quote on the heating system with a third quote being sought. A new sign like the town park signs is being sought for the new offices.

Kurt Schatz recommended having a fire inspection by Pascoag Fire Department Chief David Shaw be completed on the building.

Signs

The signs for the Recreation Center (Beckwith-Bruckshaw Lodge) and the Spring Lake Beach Campground are complete. The problem is the installation has been delayed by six to eight weeks by the Department of Public Works. A piece of equipment and four to five of the Department of Public Works men are needed for the installation. Dave Marcotte stated it is \$300 per day to rent the equipment needed. The 6 x 6 sign posts for the Recreation Center sign are also being purchased.

New Business:

Field Use Fees

Item tabled to next months agenda due to time constraints.

Spring Lake Beach Opening

The Spring Lake Beach is being prepared for the season opening. The water has been turned on with minor problems in the restrooms. Changes are being made to update the fixtures to assist with these problems and meet Department of Health requirements of automatic faucets that cost approximately \$480 each. The facility requires a total of ten faucets.

Track Resurfacing

Grant was approved by the State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management. The Governor will announce the awarding of the grants in the near future. Narragansett Improvement has been contacted regarding the project.

Parks & Recreation Brochures

New brochures requested by the commission were shared which included a list of the current Recreation Members. A correction is requested for the spelling of Kurt Schatz's name and the spelling of Burrillville.

Press Releases

Press releases that are being sent to the Bargain Buyer regarding the summer entertainment series, new summer programs and the opening of the Spring Lake Beach Facility including the swim

program and the new RI Army National Guard “Jr. Boot Camp” were shared with the commission.

Meeting Adjourned to the new 92 North Main Street, Pascoag: Motion made by David Marcotte. Seconded by Al Gerew. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. Motion Passed 4-0.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 12, 2006 6:30p.m., Town Council Chambers.

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